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SUBJECT: SOVIET AMBASSADOR DISCUSSES VLADIVOSTOK/DETENTE

1. ON THE OCCASION OF THE THAI NATIONAL DAY, SOVIET AMBASSADOR JAKOVLEV ASKED ME TO SIT WITH HIM SO THAT WE COULD DISCUSS, VIA AN INTERPRETER, THE RESULTS OF THE VLADIVOSTOK MEETING. THE AMBASSADOR TOLD ME THAT THE MEETING WAS WIDELY PUBLICIZED IN THE SOVIET UNION, BOTH IN PRESS AND ON THE RADIO; THAT THE SOVIET PEOPLE HAILED MEETING AS A VERY IMPORTANT AND WELCOME LANDMARK ON THE ROAD TO "NORMALIZATION OF US/SOVIET RELATIONS." THE
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AMBASSADOR ASKED ME WHETHER THE MEETING HAD RECEIVED COM-

PARABLE PUBLICITY IN THE U.S. I RESPONDED IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. WHEN THE AMBASSADOR ASKED ME ABOUT THE IMPLICATIONS OF REPORTED ADVERSE COMMENT IN THE U.S. I REFERRED THE AMBASSADOR TO REPORTED FAVORABLE COMMENTS BY MEMBERS OF THE U.S. SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE, MADE SUBSEQUENT TO THE SECRETARY'S APPEARANCE BEFORE THE COMMITTEE.

2. THE AMBASSADOR EXPRESSED HIS OWN DEEP SATISFACTION WITH OUTCOME OF THE MEETING. (FYI: MEMBERS OF THIS MISSION HAVE RECEIVED SUDDEN AND CORDIAL APPROACHES FROM MEMBERS OF THE SOVIET MISSION - SEPTEL.)

3. THE AMBASSADOR TOLD ME THAT COMRADE BREZHNEV, AT OCCASION OF HIS VISIT TO PRESIDENT GISCARD D'ESTAING, WOULD, IN THE SPIRIT OF VLADIVOSTOK MEETING, DISCUSS WITH THE FRENCH PRESIDENT THE EUROPEAN SECURITY AGREEMENT THAT WOULD BE REACHED IN THE CSCE. CONTINUING, THE AMBASSADOR SAID THAT COMRADE BREZHNEV WOULD SOON VISIT THE MID-EAST WHERE HE, LIKEWISE, IN CONCORDANCE WITH THE AGREEMENTS OF VLADIVOSTOK, WOULD LABOR FOR STRENGTHENING THE DETENTE.

4. CONCLUDING THE CONVERSATION, THE AMBASSADOR SAID THAT, IN SWEDEN, THE VLADIVOSTOK MEETING HAD BEEN WIDELY AND FAVORABLY COMMENTED UPON, NOT ONLY BY THE PRESS, BUT ALSO BY MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS ACQUAINTANCE. (FYI: ON THIS SCORE, THE AMBASSADOR SOMEWHAT OVERSTATES HIS CASE, THE SWEDISH RECEPTION HAVING BEEN SOMEWHAT MIXED.)
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